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1. The Main Administration for the Non-ferrous Metal Industry reported to the East German Ministry for Heavy Industry that it lacked 836 tons of pure zinc and foundry crude zinc (Reinzink und Huettenroh-zink) - Plan position 1318320 - for its 1955 production. The shortage of these items will hinder the production of goods which depend on them for their quality.

## 2. The Main Administration requires in 1955

for its various products	about	7,790 tons
for consumer goods articles		<u>86 tons</u>
		7,876 tons

During 1955 the Administration will have at its disposal

from its assigned allocation	6,850 tons
from stocks on hand	<u>190 tons</u>
	7,040 tons
	<u>836 tons</u>

A lack for 1955 of

## 3. The shortage will be apportioned during the various quarters as follows:

1st Quarter 1955	221 tons
2nd Quarter 1955	221 tons
3rd Quarter 1955	174 tons
4th Quarter 1955	<u>220 tons</u>

836 tons

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